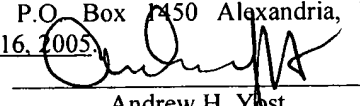




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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants submit the following Amendment:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including an exhibit showing the definition of imidazole by the Aldrich Handbook is attached following page 6 of this paper.